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SUBJECT: COUNTRY-FINANCED TECHNICAL COOPERATION

REFERENCES: EMBASSY 11284; AIDTO CIRCULAR A-635

1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES EMBASSY'S VIEWS ON FACTORS WHICH SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT FOR MEXICO IN APPLICATION OF SECTION 661 OF FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT.

2. THE VARIOUS SUGGESTIONS OUTLINED BY THE EMBASSY TO EFFECTIVELY UTILIZE SECTION 661, PARTICULARLY IN THE FIELD OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT, APPEAR TO OFFER EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITIES.

3. WE BELIEVE FURTHER EXPLORATION OF COLLABORATIVE APPROACHES TO FURTHERING CFTC PROGRAM OBJECTIVES CAN PROCEED MORE SATISFACTORILY THROUGH FACE TO FACE DISCUSSION THAN EXCHANGE OF CABLES. CONSEQUENTLY, REQUEST CONCURRENCE TWO DAY VISIT MEXICO CITY IN LATE FEBRUARY BY CECIL UYEHARA, LA COORDINATOR FOR CFTC AND MICHAEL DILEGGE, AID OFFICE OF COUNTRY FINANCED UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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4. IN ANTICIPATION OF VISIT EMBASSY MAY INITIALLY WISH, FOR EXAMPLE, TO DISCUSS PROGRAM WITH GOM AGRICULTURE OFFICIALS TO (1) ASCERTAIN THEIR INTEREST IN OBTAINING

THE SERVICES OF TECHNICAL EXPERTS AT NO COST TO GOM UNDER FAA 661 TO PLAN COUNTRY FINANCED PROJECTS AND, IF THEY AGREE, (2) TO HAVE THEM IDENTIFY SPECIFIC FIELDS OF INTEREST.

5. AS MAIN PURPOSE OF VISIT WOULD BE FORWARD PLANNING DISCUSSIONS WITH EMBASSY RECOMMEND CONTACTS WITH MEXICAN ENTITIES, IF ANY, BE RESTRICTED TO THOSE FEW WHICH EMBASSY CONSIDERS ESPECIALLY USEFUL FROM ITS STANDPOINT.

6. FYI UYEHARA AND DILEGGE ALSO PLANNING TO VISIT COLOMBIA THIS SAME TRIP.

7. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST.     INGERSOLL

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